



## EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES – April 5, 2023

Location: Mimi's Café 8455 Firestone Blvd, Downey, CA 90240

**Call to Order:** 6:30 PM

**Members Present:** President Jeff Wood, Vice President Ali Sajjad Taj, Immediate Past President Mark Waronek, Ambassador Committee Yesenia De La Rosa (via Zoom), Associate Member Committee Chair Michael Davitt (via Zoom), Budget and Audit Committee Nancy Tragarz, By-Laws Committee Sandra Armenta, Director-At-Large Ray Jackson (via Zoom), City Managers/Administrators Committee Thaddeus McCormack, Director-At-Large Claudia Frometa, Director-At-Large Steve Tye, Legal and Contracts Committee James Bozajian (via Zoom), Public Safety Committee Chair Brenda Olmos, Legislative Committee Co-Chair John Erickson (via Zoom), Special Events Committee Gustavo Camacho,

**Absent:** Secretary/Treasurer Dr. Julian Gold, Emeritus Director-At-Large Frank Zerunyan, Legislative Committee Jennifer Perez, Marketing Committee Jose Gonzalez, Membership Committee Ray Hamada, Resolutions Committee Lori Woods, Selection Committee Margret Finlay, Bylaws committee Co-Chair Dana Reed (via zoom)

**Others Present:** Marcel Rodarte, Jorge Morales, Mayra Bonilla, Frank Rodarte

**Quorum: YES**

### Meeting Proceedings

- Secretary/Treasurer Julian Gold presented the April disbursements, and March meeting minutes. Mark Waronek motioned to approve, seconded by Claudia Frometa. With no abstentions, the motion passed unanimously.

### Reports

#### **President's Report - *President Jeff Wood***

- President Wood thanked everyone for showing up to EB in Downey.
- President Wood encouraged the EB to attend L.A. Local Advocacy Day.
- President Wood invited members to join him at his last BOD meeting as President on 4/19 in the City of Lakewood

#### **Executive Director's Report - *Marcel Rodarte***

- Director Rodarte informed EB of over 300 registrants for AMS and the hotel is at capacity for the room block rate.



- Director Rodarte gave an update of AMS and previews the session.
- Director Rodarte presented the SCAG Sponsorship request for approval. Claudia Frometa motioned to approve; seconded by Brenda Olmos. With no abstentions, the motion passed unanimously.
- Director Rodarte proposed city membership dues increase by 5%. Michel Davitt motions to approve; seconded by Claudia Fromenta.
- Director Rodarte proposed a 2023-2024 budget. Nancy Tragarz motioned to approve the presented budget with corrections made accounting by \$500. With no abstentions, the motion passed unanimously.
- Director Rodarte informed EB that we raised the price of AMS registration but should not affect attendance
- Director Rodarte informed EB that L.A. Advocacy will be cheaper because we are not using the Cathedral.

### **Bylaws Committee Report – *Sandra Armenta***

- Bylaws committee chair, Sandra Armenta, went over the findings and suggestions brought up during the last two committee meetings. She presented the final changes for approval from EB. EB discussed rewording of Armenta motioned to approve as amended. With no abstentions, the motion passed unanimously.

### **Legislative Committee Report – *Jorge Morales***

- Legislative Consultant Jorge Morales gave an update of the 8 bills that the committee took a position on at the last Legislative Committee Meeting.

**Meeting was adjourned at 8:07 pm**

Recorded by: Frank Rodarte  
Administrative Specialist

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Dr. Julian Gold  
Secretary/Treasurer